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## PSC STAFF FILES COMPLAINT AGAINST MANUFACTURER IN MODULAR HOME DAMAGED BY MARCH STORM

JEFFERSON CITY—The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission has filed a complaint against Four Seasons Housing, Inc., alleging the manufacturer violated Commission rules regarding a modular home purchased by a Fulton, Missouri, couple from Blakely Manufactured Homes. That modular home was partially blown off its foundation during a storm on March 13, 2006. The modular home is owned by Larry and Joyce King of Fulton. The PSC Staff complaint alleges that the home collapsed and two people were injured.

The PSC Staff claims that Four Seasons Housing, Inc. violated Commission rules by:

- ✓ Failing to place the required Missouri seal on the modular home indicating it is in compliance with code;
- ✓ Failing to affix a manufacturer "Data Plate" to the new home which indicates the codes to which the new home was built; and
- ✓ Failing to have Commission approval for the modular unit plan used in building the home.

The PSC Staff alleges that the violations "represent an unacceptable disregard for quality control and the ultimate safety of home buyers".

The PSC Staff has asked for Commission authority to go to circuit court to seek monetary penalties against Four Seasons Housing, Inc. If authorization is granted by the Commission, the circuit court will ultimately determine if there should be a penalty assessed and the amount.

Four Seasons Housing, Inc., based in Middlebury, Indiana, has until April 25, 2006, to file a response to the complaint.

Case No. MC-2006-0388